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In re the Application of BRUCE NACHMAN Application No. 08/669, 056 Filed JUNE 24, 1996 For: INTERFACE CIRCUIT FOR UTILIZING A FACSIMILE COUPLED TO A PC AS A SCANNER

This Amendment is in Response to the Office Action of 12/17/2002.

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Amendment

In response to the Office Action Summary of 12/17/2002 please amend the above identified application as follows.

In the claims:

Please cancel non-elected claims 1-26.

Please amend claims: 27-29, 35-37, 40, 43, 52-54, as follows:

s.s Ki

Claim 27. Amendment 4 - A method of creating a scanning capability from a facsimile machine to a computer, with scanned image digital data signals transferred through a passive link without interception from the facsimile machine to the computer, comprising the steps of:

by-passing or isolating the facsimile machine and the computer from the public network telephone line and;

coupling the facsimile machine to the computer;